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In re Application of:	:	
Nicolas GOUJON et al.	:	DECISION ON REQUEST TO
Application No.: 10/529,186	:	PARTICIPATE IN PATENT
Filed: May 1, 2007	:	PROSECUTION HIGHWAY PILOT
Attorney Docket No.:	:	PROGRAM AND PETITION TO
14.0210-PCT-US	:	MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR
For: MULTI-PART	:	1.102(d)
SEISMIC CABLE	:	

This is a decision on the request to participate in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) pilot program and the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(d), filed October 19, 2007, to make the above-identified application special.

The request and petition are **DISMISSED**.

A grantable request to participate in the PPH pilot program and petition to make special require:

- (1) The U.S. application must validly claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) to one or more applications filed in a foreign country;
- (2) Applicant must submit a copy of the allowable/patentable claim(s) from the foreign application(s);
- (3) All the claims in the U.S. application must sufficiently correspond or be amended to sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claim(s) in the foreign application(s);
- (4) Examination of the U.S. application has not begun;
- (5) Applicant must submit a copy of all the Office actions from each of the foreign application(s) containing the allowable/patentable claim(s);
- (6) Applicant must submit an IDS listing the documents cited by the foreign examiner in the foreign Office action along with copies of documents except U.S. patents or U.S. patent application publications; and
- (7) The required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The request to participate in the PPH pilot is not grantable as per item (2) above in that no copy of the allowable/patentable claims from the foreign application have been submitted. Since no copy of the claims has been provided, correspondence as per item (3) above cannot be determined.

Applicant is given a time period of **ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS**, whichever is longer, to correct the deficiencies. **NO EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136 IS PERMITTED.** If the deficiencies are not corrected with the time period given, the application will await action in its regular turn.

Response must be faxed to Robert Weinhardt at 571-273-8300. Telephone inquires concerning this decision should be directed to Robert Weinhardt at 571-272-6633. All other inquiries concerning the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robert Weinhardt', is written over a horizontal line.

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